## **Phonebook Recycling Options:**

- Drop them off at College Station's Public Works Department, located at 2613 S. Texas Ave (behind the Police Dept), 764-3690
- Drop them off at the Bryan Drive-In Recycling Center
- Drop them off at the Texas A&M Physical Plant
- Contact your local schools to see if they participate in the phone book recycling contest sponsored by Area-Wide Phone Book and Keep Brazos Beautiful. Some schools will accept them year round.



## Help Local Schools Recycle Tons of Phone Books

Each year, area schools compete for cash and pizza by recycling phone books

Instead of throwing away old phone books, individuals and businesses can help local schools and the environment by taking their old phone books to some area schools. Schools participating in the last competition included:

In Bryan, "St. Michaels Academy, Brazos Christian School, Fannin Elementary, Mary Branch Elementary, Anson Jones Elementary, Milam Elementary, Mitchell Elementary, and Navarro Elementary, Neal Elementary, Ross Elementary

In College Station: Aggieland Country School, Oakwood Intermediate, College Hills Elementary, Pebble Creek Elementary, Rock Prairie Elementary, South Knoll Elementary and Southwood Valley Elementary.

These schools competed in a phone book recycling contest sponsored by Area-Wide Phone Book and Keep Brazos Beautiful. Cash prizes went to the school that collected the most phone books per student. First place is \$500, second place is \$300 and third place is \$200. Additionally, the schools in Bryan and College Station that collected the most phone books overall won a pizza party for their entire school! Keep Brazos Beautiful's *Miller Youth Award*, which includes a \$100 cash prize, award certificate and campus sign, goes to the one school that collects the most phone books overall.

Recycling phone books benefits our community because it minimizes a large amount of waste. Recycling saving valuable landfill space—one ton of phone books (about 830 Area-Wide phone books) would take up 3.3 cubic yards of space in our landfill. Recycling the paper in phone books is also beneficial for the environment since using recycled paper reduces pollution, saves energy and resources. It is estimated that one ton of recycled phone books saves 17 trees. Recycled phone books are made into insulation, drywall, wrapping paper, office products, flowerbed mulch and new phone books.